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REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted preliminary to the issuance of an Office

Action in the present application.

Applicant has amended claims 3, 5, 7, 10, 15-17, 21, 24-25, 27-29, 33, 35-

37 in order to eliminate the multiple dependency of the claims.

The amount of \$1,600.00 to cover the surcharge for presenting 17

claims in excess of 20 and 4 independent claims in excess of three is paid by

credit card.

A diskette with the Sequence Listing will be submitted as soon as it is at

hand. A hard copy of the Sequence Listing is submitted herein.

When the Examiner takes this application up for action, he is requested to

take the foregoing into account.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees which may be

required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0502.

Respectfully submitted,

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